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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2002 and is being filed on or before the due date of November 22, 2002 making this a timely response. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees, including extension fees or any other relief which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. 468081-00016 (A-58634-6/RFT/RMS/RMK)).

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, lines 3-9 with the following rewritten paragraph:

52 --This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 09/134,072, filed August 13, 1998, issued November 9, 1999 as U.S. Patent No. 5,980,862; which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 08/971,855, filed November 17, 1997, abandoned; which claims the benefit of the filing dates of U.S. Serial No. 60/063,328, filed October 27, 1997, closed, and International Application Serial No. US96/08548, filed June 3, 1996, closed, and is a continuation-in-part of